THE COURTS.

Benoni Howard Sentenced to Five Years for Counterfeiting United States Stamps.

Other Convictions and Sentences-Commission on Sales of Railroad Stocks-Payment of Claims Against the City Ordered-Decisions.

Antonio Felipo was arrested vesterday as a deerter from the Peruvian vessel Don Enrique, on the requisition of the Peruvian Consul, and taken fore Commissioner Osborn, who committed him for examination on Monday next. Felipo has attached the ship for wages, and it is understood that he will stoutly contest the charge of desertion that has been made against him.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT.

The Case of Benont Howard-He is Sentenced to Five Years' Imprisoment at Hard Labor.

Judge Benedict sat yesterday in the United States Circuit Court room, No. 27 Chambers street, and proceeded with the despatch of criminal business. The Judge said with reference to the case of Benoni Howard, who had been convicted for counterfeiting match stamps, that a motion was made for a new trial. That motion must be denied. He had examined the case very carefully, and was entirely satisfied that no error had been committed in admitting the evidence regarding the Ives matches and the bill, which were the only points to controversy.

The Court therefore denied the motion. Mr. Huntingdon, with whom appeared Mr. Ben-jamin Blankman as counsel for defendant, Howard, said he had a motion to make for a postponement of the sentence until there was an oppor, tunity for the full Court to sit and determine so

tunity for the full Court to sit and determine some points upon the construction of the statute upon which the defendant had been convicted. He would like to have this question settled upon review before the full Bench.

Judge Benedict observed that he would be glad to have the other judges present at any case tried in this Court, but he did not feel called upon to ask them himself, unless he was satisfied there were points of difficulty, in which case he would be glad of the assistance of Judges Woodruf and Blatchford. But in the cause under consideration he knew of no points which would justify him in asking them to attend merely as a layor to himself.

Mr. Huntingdon then made a motion in arrest of judgment, stating that there were thirteen counts in the indictment, each charging a different felony. The jury had not convicted on one count or on another, but rendered a general verdict of guilty; and if the Court proceeded to pass sentence upon each of the counts in the indictment the result would involve a supplemental conviction by the jury. In cases of felony there could not be a double conviction and a double felony.

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Mr. Huntingdon made an appeal to the Court for clemency to the defendant, remarking that the jury nad recommended him to mercy; that he had behaved patriotically during the war of the rebellion; that, in the State of lowa, when Howard was raising a regiment for the defence of the Union, he contributed largely towards that object; that he provided for the support of the iamiles of twelve volunteers going to the war; that, when some of these volunteers were killed, Howard still continued his relief to those whom they had leit after them until pensions could be obtained from the government; that, at an expense of \$17,000, he sent artists to the war to take portaits of eminent generals, which portraits had become part of the art literature of the country; and that he had, upon the trail, received an excellent character from \$i\$r\$. Claffin and other gentlemen of high respectability in the city.

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Mr. Huntingdon objected to the statement of the arr. Huntingon objected to the statement of the government counsel. It was as much as to say that if a person charged with crime was to avail himself of all the privileges which the constitution conferred he was to be visited with severe punishment if he did not plead guilty. The suggestion was an improper one and ought not to have been

Judge Benedict, addressing the prisoner, said he had been convicted of counterleiting a proprietary match stamp, with intent to defraud the government and his fellow citizens. He had been tried by an intelligent jury and carenully defended by counsel. The jury found him guilty, and he Judge Benedict) was bound to say that he concurred with the finding of the jury. The facts proved on the trial left no doubt on the mind of any intelligent person that the prisoner knowingly engaged in an effort to defraud the government and the community by the making of lorged match stamps. The jury recommended him to mercy. He Judge Benedict) had sought in vain in the evidence or in the facts for anything that would justify such a recommendation. The prisoner was not prompted to the commission of this offence by want, nor enticed into it by designing men. He was not a dupe in the matter. He had entered into a deliberate plan for the purpose of fraud. He Judge Benedict), however, paid attention to that recommendation of the jury, and the prisoner's escape from the extreme limit of punishment provided by the statute was due to that recommendation. Judge Benedict, addressing the prisoner, said he the extreme limit of punishment provided by the statute was due to that recommendation. He had been unable to find in the lacts proved or in the remarks of counsel anything that would justify this in inflicting any other than the extreme pensity of the law on the count on which the government had moved for sentence. Under the indictment he might have been punished for a much jonger term; but, under the count on which sentence had been moved for, the judgment of the Court was that Howard be imprisoned for five years at hard labor in Kings County Penitentiary. The Case of Oscar F. Wainwright-Con-

viction and Sentence for Perjury. Oscar F. Wainwright, who had been convicted of perjury in regard to a "bogus bond," and who has already been in prison for eleven months, was sentenced to four years' imprisonment and hard labor and to pay a fine of \$1, sentence to be exe-cuted in Kings County Penitentary.

Conspiracy.

A man named Goodwin, convicted of having conspired with others to rob the Custom House of revenue stamps, and who has already endured an imprisonment of seven months, was sentenced to six months' incarceration. The Grand Jury.

The Grand Jury, in the early part of the day, appeared in court and handed in some bills of indict-ment. In reply to the Judge they said they had not concluded their labors, and Judge Benedict observed that they were at liberty to retire and resume the discharge of their duties. The Court adjourned for two weeks.

Commission on Sales of Railroad Shares. Judge Nathaniel Shipman sat yesterday in the United States Circuit Court, 41 Chambers street, to hear a motion in the case of Clarke vs. Bushnell. This matter was tried some eight or ten days ago in this Court. It was an action to recover commission from the defendant on a sale of 100 shares of Union Pacific stock or their equivalent. The defendant claimed that the plaintiff received commission from other parties in the transaction, and, having got his commission, was not entitled to receive it from him. The Judge charged the jury that the law was that if a man received commission from both sides, or was to receive it, and that this was not known to both parties, he was not entitled to commission from either side. But if it was known to both both were entitled to the commission, and this was the only question the jury had to try. The jury found that it was known to both parties at the time the agreement was made, and their verdict was, accordingly, for the plaintiff. The motion argued yesterday in the cause was to show why the verdict should not be set aside as being against the evidence. The Judge reserved his decision. in this Court. It was an action to recover

Payment of a Fireman's Widow and

Court House Claims. Before Judge Lawrence. by Judge Lawrence on application of Mr. D. R. Lyddy directing the Comptroller to pay \$83 33 to employed as fireman in the New Court Houseemployed as fireman in the New Court House—a claim. It was stated, Mr. Green nad for over a year persistently refused to pay. The same counsel also obtained orders to show cause why writs of peremptory mandamus should not be granted cirecting the County Auditor to andit and the Comptroller to pay Mary Doyle, Frank Kenny, Margaret McCormick and Elizabeth Byrne their respective claims for services as cleaners of the New Court House.

Marvin vs. Frentice.—Motion granted on pay-ment of \$10 costs. Carter vs. Kain; Dodge vs. Dodge; Platt vs. Floyd.—Memorandums. Williams vs. Williams; Continental Bank Note Company vs. Industrial Exhibition Company.—Mo-tion denied. Meyers vs. Beach.—Security for costs must be in-reased to \$2,000.

Ahman vs. Ahman.-Motion denied, with leave, In the matter &c., Stuyvesant.-Allowance granted.
Chapman Slate Company vs. Sutcliffe.—Order granted, &c.

In the matter, &c. Wortman; in the matter, &c. Wortman; in the matter, &c., Fsocriaza.—Granted.

In the matter, &c., of Parks.—New election or-In the matter, &c., Gallagher.—Motion denied and guardian appointed.

By Judge Barrett,
In the matter, &c., Cawood, —Writ granted.
Perkins vs. Squier; Judson vs. Judson.—Motion granted.
In the matter, &c., Sherman, trustee.—Order of reference granted.
Mutual Life Insurance Company, vs. Martin, &c. (six actions).—Reports confirmed.
Day vs. Wilber, &c.—Motion denied, with \$10 costs.

SUPERIOR COURT-SPECIAL TERM. Decisions.

By Judge Sedgwick.
Ruggles vs. Kennedy.—Order of reference.
The People ex rel Murte vs. Green.—Motion denied.

Belknapp vs. Broderick. Demurrer overruled. Judgment for plaintiff.

Mercer vs. Vose.—Further bill of particulars ordered. (See decision.)

By Judge Van Vorst.

Meeks vs. Gall and Another.—Findings of facts and conclusions of law settled and filed.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS-SPECIAL TERM.

Decisions. By Judge Robinson.
Importers and Traders' National Bank vs. Anvs. The Mayor, &c., of New York.-for detendants on demurrer. (See opinion.)
Mervin vs. Wexel et al.—Application to remove cause to United States Court denied, with \$10 costs.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS. Rather Costly Drinks.

Before Judges Sherwood, Otterbourg and Murray. James Kelly was arraigned for assaulting Mrs. Mary Ann Cluckin on the 10th of January last. Mrs. Cluckin keeps a lager beer saloon at No. 314 East Thirty-second street, and on the day men-tioned Kelly and two others, after calling for drinks, refused to pay for them. She took a clu drinks, remsed to pay for them. She took a club from behind the bar and placed her back against the door, demanding payment before they went out. Kelly raised a chair to strike her, but one of his companions prevented him. Kelly seized the club and tried to wreach it from her hand, in the struggle pulling Mrs. Cluckin out upon the walk, where she was thrown to the ground. Kelly was fined \$10 by the Court.

An Indignant Cuban.

Santiago Valls, a Cuban gentleman, was charged with assaulting Adolph Clausen, a shipbroker, re-siding at the Broadway Hotel. As was alleged, Mr. Clausen met Valls on the corner of Wall and Front streets on the 31st of December last, and was struck by him in the face twice. When Valls first approached the complainant he asked him if he had made certain insulting remarks concerning him (Valls). Mr. Clausen answered abruptly, and Valls struck him, causing a blackened eye. The prisoner, when placed on the stand, testified that Clausen and he had boarded in the testified that Clausen and he had boarded in the same house, and at the time of the Virginius excitement they had several discussions about the expedition. On these occasions Clausen used insulting and offensive remarks concerning the Cubans and their cause. Mr. Valls was naturally indignant, as his brother was on the steamer, and was shot by the Spaniards. He did not quarrel with Clausen then, out of respect to the family with whom they were boarding. Clausen left the house, and the day he met him in Wall street he demanded an explanation of his insulting remarks. The prisoner also alleged that on that occasion Clausen was very abusive. The Court fined Valls \$20.

John Trageser was arraigned on a charge of using a steam boiler at the premises No. 427 West Twenty-sixth street, without, in accordance with Twenty-sixth street, without, in accordance with the law, having obtained a license from the Police Department. His counsel moved for a dismissal of the complaint, on the ground that it did not set forth that the person who run the engine was not provided with a license and was employed by the defendant. The Court upheld the point raised and dismissed the complaint, discharging the prisoner.

Gambling House Keeper Discharged.

A colored man named Theodore Vick charged with keeping a gambling house at No. 208 West Thirtleth street. Captain Mclivaine arrested West Thirtleth street. Captain McIlvaine arrested him, and, finding a party of whites and blacks playing faro, seized the implements of gaming also. Counsel contended that the complaint did not state that the prisoner was the proprietor of the place, and as that alone was the offence upon which he was arraigned, there was no charge to plead to. The Court acquiesced in the soundness of this no plea, or rather special pleading, and ordered the prisoner's discharge.

Before Judge Morgan.

Attempt to Pass a Forged Check.

Frank P. Richmond, of Baltimore, was charged with attempting to pass a forged check for \$580 on the banking house of the Manhattan Company, No. 40 Wall street. The check was presented on Friday last, signed in the name of Benjamin T. Martin, a gentleman doing business at No. 5 Broad street, and one of the depositors in the bank. The paying teller after a little investigation discovered that it was a forgery, and called on Officer Zidgate to arrest Richmond. He was taken to the Central Office, and on the way he confessed that the signature was not genuine. In the court room he pleaded poverty, and said that he and his wife were starving, and that he was formerly master of a vessel plying between Baltimore and City Point. Judg. Morgan held him in \$2,000 ball to answer.

Burglary in a Liquor Store.

Officer Brew, of the First precinct, was patrol ling State street, about half-past three yesterday morning, when he noticed a light in the liquor store of John Leonard, corner of Whitehall street. He watched the place for some time and saw the shadows of two persons moving about the store. Entering the store suddenly, he lound two men packing up liquors and cigars. They were arrested and brought to the station house, where they gave their names as John Moore and Henry Smith. Judge Morgan held them in \$2,000 each.

West Street Pickpockets Held. John Collins and James Brennan were arrested on Friday afternoon, by Officer Timothy Jourdan, of the Twenty-seventh precinct, on the corner of Fulton and West streets, for picking pockets. The Fulton and West streets, for picking pockets. The officer said that he had watched them for a long time, saw them several times knock and jostle against people passing, at last he noticed both of them stumble aginst a man who was crossing the street, and one of the two put his hand in the vest pocket of the person thus approached. Officer Jourdan then took them in charge. Judge Morgan held them in \$2,000 ball each.

BROOKLYN COURTS.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONERS' COURT. Druggists and the Special Tax.

Before Commissioner Winslow. Edward Hoffman, a druggist at Winfield, L. I., was yesterday charged with seiling liquor without paying the special tax required by law. The accused claimed that he did not sell liquor as a beve rage, but merely whenever physicians' prescriptions called for it. The prosecution claim that druggists are liable even under such circumstances, and that they are also liable if they sell "bitters" containing spirituous liquors. It is charged that the detendant in this case did sell "bitters." He was admitted to bail in \$250.

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER. The Tax Office Robberies-Captain Gill

Indicted. Before Judge Gilbert.

The Grand Jury having had the case of Captain A. W. H. Gill, late Deputy Collector of Taxes, under consideration for some time, yesterday presented ten indictments against him as the result of their labors. There are two counts to each indictment, the first charging the embezziement of checks, and the second of moneys and promissory notes. The

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Attorney, transferred to the Court of Sessions, and Captain Gill will be arraigned there to-morrow to

CITY COURT-SPECIAL TERM. Seeking Divorce.

Before Judge Neilson. Phebe Holmes brought suit for a limited divorce from Josiah Holmes, on the ground of cruel and inhuman treatment. She alleges that her husband has repeatedly beaten her and threatened to kill Yesterday morning plaintiff applied for

\$10,000.

Mr. Holmes denied that he had ever treated his wife badly, but said that there had been trouble in consequence of her refusing to reconvey to him his real estate which he conveyed to her some time since when he anticipated a judgment.

The couple are middle-aged and have several children. Decision reserved.

SURROGATE'S COURT.

Last Week's Record. Before Surrogate William D. Veeder During the past week the wills of the following named persons were admitted to probate:-Alexander Gibson, late of Pensacola, Fia.; Joshua B. Graves, Gulielma Townsend, Sarah M. Sparrow Mary A. Pitzgerald, Patrick O'Toole, Frederic Knebel, Mary Ann Mann, Samuel M. Hewlett, Kate Mellely, Margaret Horne and Emma F. Cariton, all of the city of Brooklyn. Meilety, Margaret Horne and Emma F. Cariton, all of the city of Brooklyn.

Letters of administration were granted in the estates of the following recently deceased persons, viz.:—Julius Theodore Puchs, Known as Theodore Julius Fuchs and also Theodore Fuchs, Harriet Spencer, Herbert Spain, Barbara Raub, Sophie Liess, formerly Sophia Theiss; Joseph Eastmead, Eliza Neary, all of the city of Brooklyn.

Letters of guardianship of the person and estate of Mary Fuchs were granted to John Richter; of Sophie W. Wrede to Wilhelmina Mohr; of Virginia W. Geddes and Mary E. Geddes to J. Cushing Adams, all of the city of Brooklyn.

CRIME IN NEW JERSEY.

George Rooke's Jury Judicially Enlightened-The Essex County Grand Jury and the Newark Official "Irregularities."

On Priday, in the Essex County Court, at Newark, George Rooke, the pugilist, was tried on a charge of having assaulted, in a most atrocious manner, one Bradshaw. The latter, who was captain of target company, entered Rooke's saloon one evening last fall. A row broke out, and Rooke, as alleged, laid open Bradshaw's head with his own sword, inflicting a wound which for several days it was feared would prove latal. Rooke was arrested and subsequently liberated on bail. The Grand Jury indicted him, and on Friday the trial came off, the evidence seeming conclusive that Rooke nearly killed the man. Yesterday, after having been out all night, the jury came in. desiring to be discharged, as they professed to be unable to agree upon a verdict. It seems out of the twelve there were ten stubborn men who would not agree with the other two that Rooke would not agree with the other two that Rooke was innocent and should be acquitted. Judge Ginord asked them if there was any point of law or or evidence that they desired instructions on. They answered no—they were simply unable to agree. The Court then informed them gently and firmly that it would be in session until the 7th of next March, and would be ready at any time between now and then to receive their verdict, whatever it might be. Back they were marched to their room in charge of a constable, and up to last evening the ten stubborn men had not changed their minds.

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adjourned on Friday until to-morrow, having been ostensibly in seasion four weeks, but in reality only fourteen days, delars being occasioned by dilatory witnesses. For the last two weeks their labors, judging from the character of the witnesses daily in attendance on them, have been chiefly confined to the investigation of the charges against city officials, which are understood to embrace specific complaints against a number of officials and others. The mouths of grand incres are, of course, sealed tight as regards their proceedings; but the fact that City Auditor Dawes, with his books—the same which he flatly relused authorized persons to investigate even when they were armed with the written order of the late Mayor—and Joe Young, the Street Opening Commissioner, with his books, and divers other persons prominent in the recent official investigations, have been before the Grand Jury and been put through a course of questioning, is considered ample evidence that the official "irregularities" are being surred up in a manner that promises small consolation to the City Hall ring. Witnesses of intelligence and understanding who have been before the Grand Jury declare that they have placed it in possession of an abundance of clear, unequivocal evidence, such as, in their opinions, cannot fail to result in a batch of indictments as well as a sweeping general presentment.

A PRACTICAL SUGGESTION FOR THE POOR. TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-

Through the wide circulation of your valuable paper may I be allowed to make a suggestion to the various relief associations or guilds, of which there are so many in this large city, and yet whose means of doing good are so curtailed, it seems, by lack of means? Would it not be practicable for some member of each association to solicit, in their own section of the city, at the doors of the wealthy cutzens, that each matron should set aside each descent parties of food? It would not be missed day some portion of food? It would not be missed in each liouse, and would amount to what would afford a good meal a day for many families. Those who are living in luxury and comfort, yet surrounded, even at their very doors, by the poor and dying, would by so doing, were they not able or willing to contribute money, reap the reward of Him who has promised that "he who giveth a cup of cold water in His name shall in no wise lose his reward."

IMPORTANT NEWARK MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

Mayor Perry, of Newark, in a supplementary message to the Common Council, states that the debt of the city is a trifle over \$6,250,000, and that the assets, consisting of cash on hand, real estate unpaid taxes and assessments, water works, Clinton Hill, &c., are \$7,733,539, or nearly \$1,500,000 more. "The embarrassment which is now experienced," says he, "Is the need of cash to meet maturing Habilities. A policy of rigid retrench-ment and a deaf car to the clamors for unnecesment and a deaf car to the clamors for unnecessary improvements will, in a short time, put the finances of the city on a firm and prosperous basis." The current expenses of the Board of Education for the year 1873 amounted to \$187,553 57, or about \$18 per capita, there being about 10,000 scholars in attendance; and the cry is, "Still they come," More accommodations are demanded. Thirty-five thousand doilars have been appropriated to the Board of Education in advance of the tax levy. There is one point that the Mayor's message does not embrace—a most important point, too, in view of the recent defalcation in Jersey City. The bonds of the City Treasurer or the city of Newark are only \$50,000, though, as he, amitted some time ago himself, he has power to draw his check for \$300,000, or even \$1,000,000, if so much were at the temporary credit of the city. This is a matter that ought to be looked into without one day's unnecessary delay, on the principle that an ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure. At the Common Council meeting on Friday night a resolution was passed appropriating nearly \$1,000,000 to the County Collector for taxes due the county by the city for 1873. It is alleged, in this connection, that the greater part of this amount had already been paid over to the Collector with City Treasurer Stont's checks, some of which were as high as \$100,000, and were not signed by the Mayor or any other officer except Stout. No warrant having been drawn for them, the only record or account kept of these important transactions, it is asserted, are simple memorandums in the City Treasurer's drawer. There is a movement to retrench city expenses by cutting down the hardest worked and poorest paid of the officials—the policemen. Their pay now is only \$2.75. No suggestion has been made to reduce the fat salaries of the high officers of the city government. sary improvements will, in a short time, put the

THE CITY PARADE GROUND. A Citizen's Reasons Why It Should Be Located in the Park.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:As an old New Yorker I fully agree with "West Point" in to-day's edition of your paper-viz., that we should have a Central Park Parade Ground; and no more convenient locality can be found than the one he suggests-Central Park. North of the reservoir, or say between Ninety-sixth and 110th streets, the egress and ingress is perfect aiready—All Saints' Gate, at Ninety-sixth street and Central Park (Eighth) avenue, also at 100th and 110th streets. The marching columns through Ninety-sixth street (100 feet) to Morning Side (Ninth) avenue, up to Morning Side Park and return to the Grand Central Park Parade Ground by way of 110th street (100 feet), would present one of the most spiendid military pageants imaginable. This locality would be central, easy of access for citizens and soldiers by cars on Eighth, Ninth, Fourth, Madison and Third avenues. Central Park Ground is ready for almost immediate occupancy, without much cost; \$2,000,000 will be saved in the tax on the city for ground, &c., at Harlem River. By all means give us the Grand Central Park Parade Ground. The people call for it, and our military heroes will recent the appeal.

NEW YORE, Feb. 6, 1874. streets, the egress and ingress is perfect already-

CORONERS' CASES.

The Recent Death of a Lunatic in the Asylum-Pushed Down by Another

In relation to the death of Gustav Puller, the insane man, who died to the Ward's Island Lu-natic Asylum on the 29th ult., as heretofore published in the HERALD, Coroner Croker has received further information. Fuller, a confirmed lunatic, was admitted into the institution on the 22d of

was admitted into the institution on the 22d of October last, and had become broken down in health and was exhausted by chronic mania. Four days previous to his death he approached another patient, who pushed nim and he fell to the floor, fracturing one of his legs. Puller was carefully attended to by Surgeon Kellogg, but grew worse and died from exhaustion consequent upon the fracture. Doubtless the person by whom the deceased was pushed had no intention of doing him great bodily harm, and, even if he did, he could not be held legsily responsible for the act. Coroner Croker will make a further investigation.

Fatal Hatchway Casualty.

Herrman Gould, a middle-aged man, died in the

Park Hospital from the effects of injuries received on Monday last by falling through the hatchway of premises 261 Canal street, where he was em-ployed. Coroner Kessier will hold an inquest.

A Temperance Lecture. One of the Coroners was yesterday called to the top floor of premises 238 West Thirty-second street to hold an inquest on the body of Mary Daiton, a woman fifty years of age, and born in Ire-land, whose death resulted from injuries received by accidentally falling down a flight of stairs on Friday evening, while under the influence of liquor.

The Recent Accident in Pearl Street. Coroner Croker yesterday concluded his investigation, previously commenced, in the case of Fannon, the coal cartman, who was knocked from and run over by his own cart in Pearl street on the 30th uit., in consequence of coming in collision with car 83 of the Second ave-nue line, as previously reported. The jury ren-dered a verdict of accidental death.

Death of Mr. R. K. Delafield-A Long-

Lived Family. *
Mr. Rufus K. Delafield, a manufacturer, seventytwo years of age, and the youngest of five brothers, among whom are General Delafield and Dr. Delafield, whose united ages amount to more than 400 years, died suddenly yesterday at his residence, 253 Fifth avenue. As there had been no physician in attendance, Coroner Croker will hold an inquest.

Found In a Vault.

The remains of a male child, supposed to be the illegitimate offspring of a German girl now in the German Hospital, were found in the vault of the premises 446 Hodson street, where she had been employed as a domestic. It is suspected that the mother threw the remains in the vault in order to hide her shamo. Coroner Kessler has the case in

Fatal Hatchway Casualty. William Singe, sixteen years of age, yesterday afternoon, while descending on the fall rope through the hatenway of the premises 166 William street, lost his hold and fell from the fifth floor to the bottom, killing him almost instantly. The re-mains were taken to the Second precinct station house and the Coroner informed. Deceased lived at 443 West Fitty-second street.

Killed by a Fall.

John O'Connor, twenty-nine years of age, and born in Ireland, died at No. 307 East Twenty-sixth street from peritonitis produced by a fall on the 2d inst. Coroner Kessler will hold an inquest on the body.

BROOKLYN AFFAIRS.

The police made 403 arrests last week.

The total amount of taxes collected last week

The lager beer dealers will hold a mass meeting on the 13th inst, to protest against the construc-

The Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor assisted 12,614 persons last month. The General Agent says that in the twelve years of his experience he never knew of so much suffering in any one month as there was in January, 1874.

The three men, Varley, Hurley and Davis, who were arrested for stealing butter from different groceries in Brooklyn, have been identified as the parties who robbed the railroad depot at Jamaica of some \$4,000 worth of property. The prisoners are in the Raymond Street Jail, and if not held for the butter robbery they will be sent to Queens The Board of Audit held an executive session ves-

terday morning. The accountant who is examining the accounts of the Tax Collector's office was present and produced the books. The accountant and all the clerks in the office have been directed to impart no information to outsiders with regard to what transpires there. The Board declined to reveal the proceedings of their meeting yesterday. At the last meeting of the Brooklyn Board of

tion of the Raymond Street Jail. General Jourdan called attention to the importance of a thorough inspection, inasmuch as the jail building was constantly crowded. The Sanitary Committee consists of Dr. Hutchinson, who will make the inspection this week and report the result thereof to the Board at its next meeting. Peter McElroy, a car driver, died at the Brook

lyn City Hospital yesterday from the effects of injuries accidentally received the previous evening. It seems that the horses he was driving ran away at the junction of Myrtle avenue and Washington street, and while endeavoring to stop them he was thrown over the dashboard of the car and terribly crushed. Coroner Jones held an inquest. The deceased, who was forty-five years of age, lived at No. 17 Walworth street.

EXTORTIONATE CHARGES BY A BAILROAD

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 7, 1874. A Springfield despatch says suit has been brought against the Chicago and Alton Railroad by the Attorney General of the State for violations of the Railroad law. The Attorney General recites sev-Railroad law. The Attorney General recites several cases in which more than fair and reasonable compensation has been charged by the company for passengers as well as freight, and demands the legal damages. This is the first prosecution of the kind, and the result is looked for with great inter-

ABOLITION OF JURORS' FEES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-

It is a well settled principle that every citizen owes the State some service. Our militia receives no compensation, and even finds the pursuit of arms an expensive one; and why a juryman should receive pay I can't conceive. Under the new law he is only obliged to serve half a term, which, in reality, is only about ten days, and then only gets a dollar a case. Now our juries are supposed to be composed of our best and most reliable citizens. A workingman—who may be as good a citizen and as good a arbiter on points of evidence, to whom the dollar, when out of employment, might be of some service—is excinded; and the presumption, therefore, follows that our jurymen do not require compensation on the ground of being poor. If they did one dollar would hardly compensate a business man for his absence from business. The evil of which I complain is to the litigants. It makes a lawsuit just \$12 more expensive than it ought to be; and these \$12 are a dead loss to a plantiff who finds his judgment worthless on execution. The majority of suits brought in the Marine Court, say, are for collections ranging in amount from \$100 to \$1,000. Twelve dollars is very burdensome for each case, assuming some business houses to have many collections to make, and more especially when we take into consideration the fact that there are other expenses to be borne. Jurors' fees should be abolished by the Legislature at once; they are a tax on many people who cannot afford to bear them.

New York, Feb. 7, 1874. a dollar a case. Now our juries are supposed to be

MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

Married.

BUNN-WILLIAMS.-On Saturday, February 7. by the Rev. Dr. Cookman, J. W. Bunn, of New York, to C. L. WILLIAMS, youngest daughter of Samuel C. Williams, of Tom's River, Ocean county, N. J. Martin-Grey.-On Wednesday evening, January 29, at the Church of St. John the Evangeiist, by the Rev. Father Callahan, John Martin, M. D., to Mark E. Grey, both of this city.

SECKEL-COR.-On Wednesday, January 28, in this city, by Rev. L. Philips, Thomas Seckel to Maggie Cor. No cards.

LOCKWOOD. —JAMES SHOCKFORD LOCKWOOD, of the rife of James H. Lockwood, at half-past ten A. M.,

on Friday, 6th February, 1874. Ulster county papers

BERGKAMP.—At Secancus, N. J., on Thursday, Pebruary 5, after a short liliness, Sophila Bergkamp, wile of Henry Bergkamp, in the 4th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Sunday, February 8, at two o'clock P. M., from their residence, in Secancus, N. J.

BIDDERS.—At Yonkers, on Saturday, February 7, WILLIAM BIDDERS, aged 79 years, 11 months and 2 days.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

BROOKS.—On Saturday, February 7, at her residence, No. 135 Union street, South Brooklyn, Mrs. Rosanna Brooks, in the 52d year of her age.

Her remains will be removed to St. Stephen's church, corner of Hicks and Carroll streets on Monday, February 9, at half-past ten, and from thence to Flatbush Cemetery. The relatives and iriends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

Brown.—At Greenpoint, on Saturday, February 7, Alexander Brown, in the 63d year of his age.

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BROWN.—At Greenpoint, on Saturday, February 7, Alexander Brown, in the 63d year of his age. The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from his late residence, 14 Union place, Greenpoint, on Tuesday, February 10, at two o'clock P. M.

BUTLER.—On Saturday, February 7, 1874. MICHARL E. F. BUTLER, only son of Edward and Johanna Butler, a native of county Kilkenny, Ireland.

His friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Tuesday, February 10, at one o'clock P. M., from his late residence, 310 Madison street.

CALKIN.—On Friday, February 6, MARY VIOLETTA, only daughter of Hervey C, and Violetta A. Calkin, aged 7 years.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her parents, 116 East Seventieth street, on Sunday, the 5th inst., at half-past one P. M.

CAMPBELL.—At Woodbridge, N. J., on Friday, February 6, John H. CAMPBELL.

The relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral services at the Presbyterian church, Woodbridge, on Tuesday afternoon, 10th inst., at one o'clock. Train leaves foot of Desbrosses and Cor'land's streets at ten A. M., and return at four P. M.

CHITTENDEN.—On Friday, February 6, 1874. at

Cortlandt streets at ten A. M., and return at four P. M.
CHITTENDEN.—On Friday, February 6, 1874, at Rochdale, near Paterson, N. J., of consumption, Augusta, eidest daughter of the late A. S. and Julia A. Chittenden.
Funeral services to take place from St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church, corner Market and Hamilton streets, Paterson, N. J., at ten o'clock A. M., on Monday, February 9, Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend without further notice. Interment at Greenwood Cemetery.
CLANCY.—At West Milton, on Saturday, December 20, 1873, Martin Glancy, aged 28 years.
COVERT.—On Saturday, February 7, at 257 West Forty-third street, Arthur Edgar, son of James E. and Carrie Covert, aged 9 months and 20 days.
His remains will be taken to Keyport, N. J., for interment, on Monday, 9th inst.
DIVINE.—On Saturday, February 7, 1874, at his residence, corner of North Seventh ahd Fourth streets, Brooklyn, E. D., William J. Divine, aged 39 years.

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Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from St. Vincent de Paul's church, North Sixth street, Brooklyn, on Monday, February 9, 1874, at hime A. M., and from thence to Calvary Cemetery.

Donohue,—On Friday, February 3, Thomas Donohue, of parish of Fintona, county Tyrone, Ireland, in the 38th year of his age.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from his late residence, No. 143 Mulberry street, on Sunday, at one o'clock. Downey.—On Thursday, February 3, Margarer, the beloved wife of Patrick Downey, aged 28 years. The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 30 Cherry street, on Sunday, at 10 o'clock.

Fall.—On Friday, February 6, at her residence, 73 Bloomfield street, Hoboken, N. J., Sarah Frances, beloved wife of Edward A. Fall, in the 24th year of her age.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral, from the First Presbyterian church, corner Hudson and Sixth streets, on Sunday, the 8th inst., at one o'clock. Remains will be lintered in Hoboken Cemetery.

FOSTER.—At the residence of her parents, No. 21s East Eighteenth street, EMELINE J., youngest daughter of John and Ann Foster, in the 29th year of her age.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

Gannon.—On Friday, February 6, after a short illness, which he bore with Christian ioritiude, Thomas Gannon, in the 28th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family, also of his brothers, Joseph, Patrick and John, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, this (Sunday) afternoon, February 8, at half-past one o'clock, from his late residence, No. 113 East Eightence, No. 113 East Eightence, and friends of the family, also of his brothers, Joseph, Patrick and John, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, this (Sundary Cemetery.

Graard.—On Saturday e

Calvary Cemetery.

GERARD.—On Saturday evening, February 7, at his residence, 17 Gramercy Park, James W. GERARD.

The funeral services will be held at Calvary church, corner Fourth avenue and Twenty-first street, on Wednesday, February 11, at ten A. M. Relatives and Iriends are respectfully invited to attend.

Gilholky.—On Saturday, February 7, 1874, Ann Gilholky, in the 70th year of her age.

Her friends are respectfully requested to attend the funeral, on Monday afternoon, at one o'clock, from the residence of her son-in-law, James Reynolds, No. 206 West Nineteenth street.

GREY.—In London, England, Monday, January 19, 1874, of pneumonia, Ralfil Cartwhight Grey Sait Lake City and San Francisco (Cal.) papers please copy.

Haggerty.—On Saturday, February 7, 1874, Francis Haggerty, native of Donegal, Ireland, aged 50 years.

Friends of the family, also the members of St. Gabriel's Temperance Society, Stonecutters' Union and Fifteenth Regiment, New York Engineers, are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his son, Andrew J. Haggerty, No. 401 East Thirty-fourth street, on Monday, 9th inst, at hall-past one P. M.

HALLOCK.—On Saturday, February 7, EDWIN M., youngest son of Joseph T. and Emma Hallock, aged 2 years, 5 months and 4 days.

Notice of funeral in to-morrow's paper.

HAYE.—On Saturday, February 7, 1874, PATRICK HAYE. Of Cooladunnen, parish Drumchif, county Sligo, Ireland, in the 52d year of his age.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the juneral, from his late residence, 29 Park street, on Monday, February 9, 1874, at hall-past nine A. M.; from thence to Transfiguration church, where a solemn requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of his soul.

Horson.—At Annandale, N. Y., on Friday, February 6, of inflammation of the lungs, Ewdand Mary W. Hopson, aged 3 years, 8 months and 6 days.

The funeral services will be held in the chapel of St. Stephen's College, Annandale, on Monday, the Hurchings.

Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to a

St. Stephen's College, Annandae, on Monday, February 6, at three P. M.
HUTCHINGS.—On Saturday, February 7, Lizzie HUTCHINGS.—A saturday of February 7, Lizzie HUTCHINGS, daughter of Faunle and the late Alfred Hutchings.
Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Monday, the 9th inst., from St. Luke's church.
JONES.—On Thursday, February 5, after a short illness, John J. Jones.
The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, without further notice, on Sunday, February 8, at one o'clock, from No. 23 Gouverneur street. His remains will be taken to Greenwood Cemetery for interment.
Kellett.—On Thursday, February 5, Mrs. Jane R., wiowo of J. P. Kellett, in her 60th year.
Friends and relatives are invited to attend the funeral, from St. Andrew's church, Richmond, at haif-past two o'clock P. M. Carriages meet at twelve o'clock prompt at Vanderbill's Landing.
Mahoney.—On Thursday, February 5, Mrs. Mary Mahoney, in the 80th year of her age.
The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, 151 East Thirty-second street, this day (Sunday), at one o'clock.
MINUSE.—On Saturday, February 7, John H. MINUSE,—the Services will be held at the residence of his sonin-law, washington Hills, Jr., 427 East Fity-sixth street, on Tuesday afternoon, at two o'clock. The remains will be taken to Rye, N. Y., on Wednesday, by the 10:10 A. M. train, and a funeral service at the residence oh his son, John D. Minuse, at half-past one P. M. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.
Mollard,—on Friday, February 6, Hannah family are respectfully invited to attend.
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Mollard,—on Friday, February 7, Fannie, eldest child of Thomas W. and Ann Eliza Murray, aged 7 years, 9 months and 24 days.

Five little angels in heaven.
McKinley.—on Saturday, February 7, Fannie, eldest child of Thomas W. and Ann Eliza Murr

McNamara.—On Priday evening, Pelgung 6, Mary W., youngest child of Joseph and Winings McNamara, aged 8 months and 27 days.
Funeral this (Sunday) morning.
O'Brian.—On Saturday, February 7, 1874, John O'Brian, late of Harlem, a native of Dungarven, county Kilkenny, Ireland, in the 80th year of his

O'BRIAM, late of Harlem, a native of Dungarves, county Kilkenny, Ireland, in the 80th year of his age.

The relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his sister, Mra. Dooley, 20d West Thirty-ninth street, on Monday afternoon, February 9, at one o'clock. Interment at St. Raymond's Cemetery, Westchester county.

O'CONNOR,—On Thursday, February 5, John O'CONNOR,—On Thursday, February 5, John O'CONNOR, a native of the county Roscommon, Ireland, in the 29th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family, and also the members and friends of the John O'Connor Association and the Twinking Star Social Club are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from his late residence, 307 East Twenty-sixth street, on Sunday, February 8, at one o'clock P. M.; the 200 to Flatbush Cemetery.

The members and friends of the Twinking Star Social Club are invited to attend and participate in the funeral obsequies of our late associate, John O'Connor, from his late residence, 307 East Twenty-sixth street, on Sunday, February 8, 1874, at one o'clock. By order of The COMMITTER.

OLENSED.—At Tarrytown, on Saturday, February 7, SILAS OLMSTED, in the 94th year of his age.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

OWENS.—On Thursday, February 6, after a chort illness, Elizabeth Owens, aged 70 years.

The relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, 220 East Twenty-first 8t, thus day (Sunday), at one o'clock.

RANLET.—In. Brookiyn, February 6, Captain Chiarles A. Ranlett, Ir. (late of ship Surprise), aged 37 years. aged 37 years.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral services at 41 Tompkins place, Brooklya on Monday, February 9, at one o'clock P. M., The remains will be taken to Billerica, Mass., for inter

on Monday, Pebruary 9, at one o'clock P. M., The remains will be taken to Billierica, Mass, for interment.

ROOMEY.—On Saturday, Pebruary 7, James Roeney, a native of Ballinafid, parish of Leaney, county Westmenth, ircland, ared 50 years.

The relatives and friends of the tamity are respectfully requested to attent the tuneral, from his late residence, 322 East Thirty-second strees, on Sunday, at two o'clock.

RYAN.—On Thursday, February 5, Katte Jame, aged 8 years and 7 months, and Charles Joseph, aged 8 years and 1 month, the beloved children of John and Mary Ryan.

The innerial will take place from the residence of their parents, at Great Neck, L. L., on Sunday, February 8, at twelve o'clock M. The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral without further notice. Their remains will be interred in Calvary Cemetery.

SCOTT.—Suddenly, at East New York, on Saturday, February 7, 1874, Walter Scott, Chief Engineer United States Revenue Marine.

Notice of funeral herealter.

Simonson.—in Brooklyn, on Thursday, February 5, Enward W., youngest son of the late John R. and Hannah Simonson., in the 23d year of his age.

Funeral from his late residence, 200 Bridge

R. and Hannah Simonson, in the 23d year of his age.

Funeral from his late residence, 200 Bridge street, on Sunday, the 8th inst., at two o'clock P.

M. Relatives and friends are invited to attend, without further notice.

SKIDMORL—On Friday, February 6, 1874, John Anthony, youngest son of Edwin and Mary Skidmore, aged I year and 10 months.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Sunday, 8th inst., at one o'clock P. M., from No. 636 West Fifty-second street. Members of Corinthian Lodge, No. 438, F. and A. M., are respectfully invited.

SMITH.—Cosmopolitan Longe, No. 585, F. and A.

M.—The members are hereby summoned to be present at their lodge room, Montague place, corner of Court street, Brooklyn, on Sunday, February 6, 1874, at half-past hime o'clock A. M., for the purpose of paying the last tribute of respect to our late worthy Brother, Clark A. Smith. Members of mater lodges are respectfully invited. By order of FERDINAND ZELLINSKY, Master.

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FERDINAND ZELLINSKY, MasterHIRAM BLOOMEL, Jr., Secretary.
WALSH,—ON SATURDAY, February 7, at half-past
ten P. M., Joseph Comstock, only son of Carrie S.
and Richard H. Walsh, aged II months and 22 days.
Funeral from residence of parents, No. 100 West
Twenty-sixth street, on Monday, at nine A. M.
Brethren of Atlas Lodge, No. 316, F. and A. M., are
respectfully invited to attend.
Yourell.—In this city, on Saturday, February 7,
MICHAEL YOURELL, a native of Trim, county Meats,
Ireland, aged 40 years. Ireland, aged 40 years. Funeral from his brother's residence, 889 Pirst avenue, on Monday, February 9, at two o'clock P. M. Irish papers please copy.

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